

FREEDOMS HEROINE.

A Fund for Aunt Harriet Tubman Whose Life was Given to the Emancipation of her Race.

Editor of The Colored American—A few weeks ago I sent out an appeal in behalf of Aunt Harriet Tubman, that remarkable woman of our race now living in Auburn, N. Y., who has devoted her life to helping others. I told how she piloted more than 300 slaves to freedom's soil; the part she played as spy, scout and hospital nurse for the Union Army in the Civil war, and the labor of love she has been carrying on since the war by turning her home into an Orphanage and Old Folks home for members of her race, who but for her would have been consigned to the Poor house, followed by a Pauper's grave for the old or probably, a life of shame for the young.

I asked that Seventeen hundred dollars (\$1,700) be sent in to save her home which Six thousand dollars (\$6,000) could not buy, and hereby renew that appeal. But for her life of sublime self forgetfulness I am sure that this burden would not be upon her at this time when age and infirmity have overtaken her.

Earnest efforts are now being made to raise this amount by December 20th



"AUNT" HARRIET TUBMAN.

so that the cancelled mortgage may be presented her as a Christmas gift. Let us all come to the support of this woman. She desires to leave her property as a home for aged colored men and women. When in New York City a few days ago I was told that she could not bequeath her property for such a purpose, so I went to Auburn, N. Y. immediately to examine the title and to seek legal advice and found everything alright. Don't be afraid to help this woman.

The following subscriptions have been received: Robert W. Taylor, \$10; Mr and Mrs. J. B. Montgomery, Helena Mont. \$2; Mrs. James E. Johnson, Woman's New Century Club, Providence, R. I. \$5; Miss S. A. Beckwith, Woman's Club of the Federation, Montgomery, Ala., \$5; Miss Theresa Smith, Detroit, Mich. \$1; Miss M. A. Knaves, and friends, Joplin, Mo., \$1; Miss Laura M. Lee, Tuesday Evening Study Club, Pittsburg Pa., \$10.50; Young Men's Educational Aid Association and Ladies' Auxiliary through President Holmes, Boston Mass., \$15; Miss M. C. Wel's, and friends, Brooklyn, N. Y., \$4; W. A. B. Matthews and E. M. Gordon, Medford, Mass., \$2; The Musical Branch Rose of New England Women's League, Nor-

wich, Conn., through Miss H. A. Wood, Norwich, Conn., \$10; Miss Jessie M. Johnson, Ithaca, N. Y., \$1; Miss Susie Miller, Philadelphia, Pa., \$1; Miss Nannie Newman, Torrington, Conn., \$1; Sojourner Truth Club, Montgomery, Ala., \$5; Fortune and Peterson, N. Y., "Age" \$2; Forest City Club and Zion, Sunday School, through C. A. C. Bee-man, Middletown, Conn., \$6.25; H. A. Ellis, San Antonio, Tex., \$1; Miss Helen Gray, President, Magnolia Club, Springfield, Mass., \$1; W. H. Stanton, Esq., Pittsburg, Pa., \$5; Allen Washington, Secretary Hampton Summer School, Hampton, Va., \$21; L. G. Mason, Hudson, N. Y., \$10; A. M. E. Zion Sunday School, Auburn, N. Y., \$5; Mrs. Walter A. Hatton, New York City, \$1. Total, \$125.75.

All checks should be made payable to the order of Harriet Tubman and addressed to Mr. C. A. Smith, Parker St Auburn, N. Y.

Yours for the Cause,

ROBT. W. TAYLOR

Sept 26, 1901. 7 Grenville Place, Boston, Mass.

A TRIBUTE TO M'KINLEY

(Continued from 1st page.)

masses and stood for the masses. The tariff and the gold standard were the issues upon which McKinley won by an overwhelming majority. And yet it must be confessed that the fight of his opponent was a most magnificent one. McKinley's personality and trustworthiness won for him the victory. He was never bitter in his public utterance. He was rather most conservative and conciliatory. He plead for peace and justice, the cause of humanity and a common patriotism. He was advertised by his party before election as the 'advance agent of prosperity.' The effect was magical. The country believed it and voted according to its belief.

"Business hitherto paralyzed resumed activity. Industries everywhere revived. The unemployed secured employment. Crops of every kind increased in magnitude and prices in the same proportion. Business activity everywhere was recognized and the nation in every section rejoiced. But we must turn from the picture. In the midst of our unequalled prosperity an assassin strikes down this great statesman, patriot, and leader in the zenith of his greatness and strength, while thousands of his compatriots wish to do him honor. The foul deed finds no parallel in all history for was not a tyrant, nor a pretender. 'He was of the people and for the people.' He stood for human rights and human equality. He wished to make the whole nation one in bond, and heart, 2—COLORED AMERICAN and sympathy. He knew no east, no west, no south, no north. He sought, rather, to establish a civilization without a slave and without a prejudice. As I waited on him with a delegation nearly three years ago to seek a solution of existing difficulties, he remarked to the delegation: 'I am trying to solve this matter now. Be patient; trust in God. We have tried every other method. Let us try the one that I have in mind, and if that fails blame me. I am interested in all the people of the country—the white people, the colored people, and the Indian—and I would be glad to reconcile them all.'

"In the war with Spain he recognized Northern soldiers and northern officers. Southern soldiers and Southern officers, and he also recognized Negro soldiers and Negro officers, thereby showing that he was wont to harmonize all existing differences, heal all jealousies, and blot out all prejudices and animosities. He wanted to make the nation a homogeneous whole, without class or sectional or race condition.

"This cruel assassination is the tribute which anarchy pays to free and popular government. It means that either anarchy must die or the Government whose life it imperils. It is a moment of mourning. Every American heart is touched by the infamy. We realize fully now that there are depths of infamy and there are heights of fame. While we deplore the loss of

President McKinley, we console ourselves with the thought that he is safe in the heavenly rest. His was a Christian life, devoid of pomp and vanity. He was always sincere and true. His devotion to his wife was the glory of his life, and the nation sympathizes with her as it would for itself.

"Not my will, but Thine, be done," is uttered by him in his last moments as an expression of complete resignation and willingness to abide by whatever the Master commands.

"As he hummed 'Nearer, My God, to Thee,' the earth receded, the glories of official position disappeared, the sight of the Executive Mansion was lost to view, the sight of friends, supporters and Cabinet vanished and the angelic host hove into sight to waft him to the spirit land on high to dwell forever with the grander, purer, and nobler souls—

"Nearer to Thee."

After the address hymn 423, "Lead, Kindly Light," was sung as a solo and chorus by the boy soprano, Arthur Nixon, and choir. Prayers for the late President William McKinley and the present President were said, and the benediction pronounced.

An Enterprising Magazine.

The Colored American Magazine, published at Boston, Mass. is one of our most interesting and enterprising exchanges. It seems to improve with every issue. The announcement of the October issue contains the following special features: 'The Smoky City,' part 1 by Oliver G. Waters; Booker T. Washington, 'His Life,' by Pauline E. Hopkins; J. B. Parker, the defender of our late President at the attack by Czolgoz. The story of his life together with his 'Personal Story of the Attack,' with his latest portrait. 'The Beginning of the End.' This article is the powerful sermon recently preached at Greenville, Miss. by Rev. Quincy Ewing. Its echo will resound throughout this broad land until the curse of "Lynch Law" is abolished.

Pictures of Great Negroes.

This office is prepared to fill orders for lithographs, large size, of prominent colored men at the rate of 50 cents per copy unframed or \$1.50 framed. The list includes such noted men as Frederick Douglass, Booker T. Washington, B. K. Bruce, Maceo, J. C. Price, Bishop Arnett, John R. Lynch, Hon. Judson W. Lyons and others. Now is a most excellent time for teachers who are interested in their schools to secure pictures of prominent men of the race, frame them and decorate their school rooms before the opening of the school. All orders may be addressed to The Colored American, 459 C street northwest Washington, D. C. tf.

Second Baptist Lyceum,

The Second Baptist Lyceum will open for the season of 1901-2 on Sunday, October 6th. Congressman George H. White will be the principal speaker and in addition to some new and original points on the aspects of the times will present a report of the work accomplished at the Philadelphia meeting of the Afro-American Council, which he attended as the delegate of the Lyceum. Appropriate action will be taken with reference to the death of President McKinley. A quartet from the 19th Street Baptist church choir will render "Lead Kindly Light," and the President's favorite hymns will be sung. Other attractions for the occasion will be announced next week.

Mrs. Mary S. Brown and Mr. Smith left September 27th for Buffalo, N. Y., to spend a week or ten days.

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